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Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response be extended two additional months through and including January 2, 2004. A Notice of Appeal from the Primary Examiner to the Board of Appeals accompanies this Petition. A Petition and Fee for a one month Extension of Time through and including November 3, 2003 has already been submitted and the fee paid. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the difference of \$420.00 to Deposit Account 19-0065.

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